

REMARKS

Election/Restrictions

In the Office Action mailed November 22, 2006, Applicant was required under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to elect a single disclosed species. In its response filed February 5, 2007, Applicant elected with traverse claims 1, 2, 4, 6-11, 13, 16-27, 29-35, and 37-43.

In the present response Applicant withdraws non-elected 3, 5, 12, 14, 15, 28 and 36.

Applicant reserves the right to file one or more divisional applications of the non-elected species.

Non-Statutory Obviousness-Type Double Patenting

Claims 1, 2, 4, 6-11, 13, 16-27, 29-35, and 37-43 are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-3, and 9-35 of co-pending U.S. Application No. 10/753,031. To overcome the rejection of pending claims 1-2, 4, 6-11, 13, 16-27, 29-35, and 37-43, Applicant encloses herewith a Terminal Disclaimer in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.321(c) over co-pending U.S. Application No. 10/753,031, which is commonly owned with this application. Please charge our deposit account number **19-3878** in the amount of \$65.00 to cover the terminal disclaimer fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.20(d), for which purposes a duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. Applicant respectfully requests that the double-patenting rejection be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

Reconsideration is respectfully requested. Applicant believes the case is in condition for allowance and respectfully requests withdrawal of the rejections and allowance of the pending claims.

Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such extension is to be charged to **Deposit Account No. 19-3878**.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number listed below if it would in any way advance prosecution of this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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